

Materials List

How to Paint Vincent's Sunflowers in Acrylics with Will Kemp



Pencils & Drawing

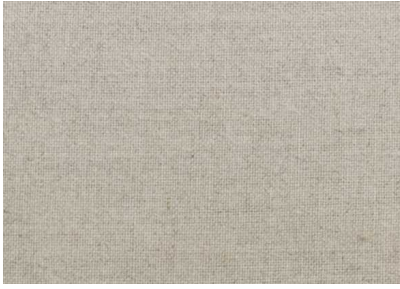
- Mechanical Pencil, 0.5mm HB - Kuru Toga Roulette, Uni
- Kneadable Putty Eraser, Faber Castell
- Pentel Hi-Polymer Eraser
- Metal Ruler with cm markings
- T-square (not essential, I use this for drawing the grid)
- Acrylic Marker - Raw Sienna. Liquitex chisel tip 2-4mm (not essential)

Canvas/Surface

- (40 x 50cm) Linen canvas clear gesso canvas, Belle Arti

On this painting, we use the colour of the linen canvas as the base tone. If you can't find a canvas with a clear gesso, you can use a white canvas and mix a base colour to match the linen of the canvas.

Using a Raw Umber mixed with Titanium White will get very close.



Here is a sample colour of the linen canvas I use.

Palettes

Grey tear-off palette - I use an 11"x16" (27.94 x 40.64cm) size Grey Pad from New Wave - <https://newwaveart.com/collections/paper-palettes/products/grey-pad-rectangular-paper-palette>

Brushes



- Rosemary & Co, Designer Series 344, Round - Size 4, short handle
- Rosemary & Co, Ivory Egbert - Size 2
- Princeton, Aspen, Round - Size 2 - 6500R
- Princeton, Aspen, Round - Size 4 - 6500R
- Princeton, Aspen, Flat - Size 8 - 6500F

Acrylic Paints

For this course, I use a mix of Golden Heavy Body Acrylics and Winsor & Newton. I've included a few student-grade colours. This helps to keep the cost down, because artist-grade cadmiums can be quite expensive.

If you already have artist-grade cadmiums, or artist-grade versions of the colours I demonstrate with in your paint box, you'll find they are thicker, more opaque, and a little easier to handle, so use them.

I wanted to show that, even as a beginner, you can still achieve some lovely results using student-grade paints.

The only thing I'd recommend investing in an artist-quality white. That will give you the most bang for your buck, as the price difference usually isn't huge, but the opacity and coverage is much better.

- Titanium White - Golden Heavy Body Acrylics
- Cadmium Yellow Medium Hue - W&N Galeria Acrylics
- Cadmium Yellow Deep Hue - W&N Galeria Acrylics
- Yellow Ochre - W&N Galeria Acrylics
- Raw Sienna - Golden Heavy Body Acrylics
- Burnt Sienna - Golden Heavy Body Acrylics
- Red Oxide- Golden Heavy Body Acrylics
- Phthalo Green (Blue Shade) - W&N Artist Acrylic*
- Lemon Yellow - W&N Artist Acrylic
- Naphthol Vermillion - Old Holland New Masters Acrylic*
- Carbon Black - Golden Heavy Body Acrylics*

*The Phthalo Green has to be the Blue Shade to enable us to get the range of colours for the painting. Alternative pigments to Carbon black are Ivory black or Mars black. Alternative pigments to Naphthol Vermillion are Naphthol red, Cadmium Red light Cadmium Red Hue.

Acrylic Mediums

- Acrylic Glazing Liquid Gloss - Golden Paints. I use this to help retain paint film integrity when diluting acrylics to thin applications and glazes.

(You can read an article here about the dilution rates of water with acrylics : <https://willkempartschool.com/getting-started-how-to-choose-what-to-paint-on/>)

- Acrylic Heavy Gel Matte - Golden Paints

I also show on screen but don't use:

Acrylic Regular Gel Matte - Golden Paints

Acrylic Extra Heavy Gel Matt - Jackson's art.

Extra Materials

- Palette Knife, RGM Classic Line: Number 45 in the diamond shape
- Kitchen Roll (paper towel)
- Metal Double Dipper
- Jam Jar for water
- Hammer (for knocking in the canvas keys)
- Printer Paper - I print onto Epson Glossy Photo Paper
- iPad or extra screen - having an screen to work from the reference image will make it easier to zoom into the sunflower heads for the later stages of the painting.

Resources

Online Art Stores

UK

www.jacksonsarts.com

www.artsupplies.co.uk (Bromley Art Supplies)

www.artdiscount.co.uk

www.cassart.co.uk

www.greatart.co.uk

www.rosemaryandco.com

www.princetonbrush.com

US

Blick Art Materials - <https://www.dickblick.com/>

Canada

Opus Art Materials - <https://opusartsupplies.com/>

- Online apps for gridding photos

Drawinggrid app - <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/drawinggrid/id1508298774>